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Part IX

Department of the Interior

Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior. **ACTION:** Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: This notice provides the semiannual agenda of rules scheduled for review or development between spring 2010 and fall 2010. The Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866 require publication of the agenda.

ADDRESSES: Unless otherwise indicated, all Agency contacts are located at the Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You should direct all comments and inquiries regarding a particular rule to the agency contact listed in the entry for that rule. You should direct general comments relating to the agenda to the Office of Executive Secretariat, Department of the Interior, at the address above or at 202-208-3071.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: With this publication, the Department satisfies the requirement of Executive Order 12866 that the Department publish an agenda of rules that we have issued or expect to issue and of currently effective rules that we have scheduled for review.

Simultaneously, the Department meets the requirement of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) to publish an agenda in April and October of each year identifying rules that will have significant economic effects on a substantial number of small entities. We have specifically identified in the agenda rules that will have these effects.

Dated: March 18, 2010. John A. Strylowski, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

United States Fish and Wildlife Service—Final Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
200	Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revision of Regulations That Establish Exemptions for Certain Antelope Species	1018–AX19

Minerals Management Service—Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
201	Revised Requirements for Well Plugging and Platform Decommissioning	

Department of the Interior (DOI) United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

Final Rule Stage

200. ● ENDANGERED AND THREATENED WILDLIFE AND PLANTS; REVISION OF REGULATIONS THAT ESTABLISH EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN ANTELOPE SPECIES

Legal Authority: 16 USC 1531 et seq **Abstract:** We are publishing a final rule to repeal section (h) from 50 CFR 17.21. This final rule is in response to a judicial decision that 50 CFR 17.21(h)

was promulgated in contradiction to the Endangered Species Act.

Timetable:

Action Date FR Cite
Final Action 04/00/10

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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Department of the Interior (DOI) Minerals Management Service (MMS)

Proposed Rule Stage

201. REVISED REQUIREMENTS FOR WELL PLUGGING AND PLATFORM DECOMMISSIONING

Legal Authority: 31 USC 9701; 43 USC 1334

Abstract: This rule would establish timely submission requirements for decommissioning and abandonment plans, and establish deadlines for decommissioning permits. The rule would also implement timeframes and

clarify requirements for plugging and abandonment of idle wells and decommissioning idle facilities.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/10	
NPRM Comment	02/00/11	
Period End		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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